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ASSESSMENT TASK NOTIFICATION

Subject: Preliminary Exploring Early Childhood	Task Number: 2
Type of Task: The Children's Services Industry – Research and report	Coordinating Teacher: Mrs Ridley
Date Issued: Tuesday 30th April 2024 (Week 1, Term 2)	Date Due: Monday 20th May 2024 (Week 4, Term 2)
Total Marks: 25	Weighting: 30%

Submission Instructions: *Students are to submit all assessment tasks through the Assessment Submissions Tab on the MS Team prior to 9.00am on Monday 20th May 2024*

Task Context:

In this topic you have learnt about;

- the different types of childcare options within the children's services industry
- community and government agencies and resources
- choosing appropriate services for young children
- working in children's services
- regulations relating to children's services
- roles within children's services and contemporary issues

In this task you will be required to apply your knowledge of this topic to report on and recommend a childcare service.

Syllabus Outcomes:

- 1.4 analyses the ways in which family, community and culture influence the growth and development of young children
- 2.1 analyses issues relating to the appropriateness of a range of services for different families
- 2.4 analyses the role of a range of environmental factors that have an impact on the lives of young children
- 4.1 demonstrates appropriate communication skills with children and/or adults
- 6.1 demonstrates an understanding of decision making processes

Task Description:

Part A (15 marks):

You are required to investigate one childcare service and present your findings. Your investigation needs to include the following information about your chosen service;

Description of the structural factors of the service including;

- groups catered for within the service (children and families)
- hours of operation
- location of services
- staff employed (qualifications, number of staff etc) and working conditions for staff (breaks, hours worked etc)
- cost of services and funding conditions

Analysis of the appropriateness of operational factors of the service including;

- types of programs offered
- facilities provided
- family involvement





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Part B (10 marks):

As a prospective parent, write a letter to the service explaining why you would or would not send your child to the centre.

Criteria for Assessing Learning

You will be assessed on your ability to;

- investigate a local childcare service
- analyse the appropriateness of services available to families
- explain why you would or would not choose a service
- communicate appropriately

HSC Key Verbs

Analyse

Identify components and the relationship between them; draw out and relate implications

Explain

Relate cause and effect; make the relationships between things evident; provide why and/or how

Describe

Provide characteristics and features

Recommend

Provide reasons in favour

NESA "All My Own Work"

By signing for this assessment task and having completed the NESA course "All My Own Work" I confirm that this assessment task will be free from plagiarism and reflective of my own work. I understand that if I am found to have plagiarised or engaged in malpractice, I will be referred to the HT Access to engage the LAP Malpractice process.





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Marking Guidelines:

Part A: Investigation (15 marks)

Description	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurately describes all structural factors of the chosen service Analyses all operational factors of the service providing extensive links to industry standards Information is communicated in a clear and coherent manner appropriate to audience 	13-15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurately describes most structural factors of the chosen service Analyses most operational factors of the service providing multiple links to industry standards Information is communicated in a mostly clear and coherent manner appropriate to audience 	9-12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describes some structural factors of the chosen service Analyses some operational factors of the service providing some links to industry standards Some information is communicated in a coherent manner appropriate to audience 	6-8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describes basic structural factors of the chosen service Describes operational factors of the service and some industry standards Basic communication skills used, not always appropriate to audience 	3-5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describes limited structural factors of the chosen service Describes limited operational factors of the chosen service Limited communication skills not appropriate to audience 	1-2

Part B: Letter (10 marks)

Description	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive explanation of why a parent would or would not choose this service providing a wide range of links to the analysis of the service Highly effective communication appropriate to audience 	9-10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed explanation of why a parent would or would not choose this service providing a range of links to the analysis of the service Effective communication appropriate to audience 	7-8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explanation of why a parent would or would not choose this service providing some links to analysis of the service Communication is appropriate to audience 	5-6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Description of positive and/or negative aspects of the service Basic communication skills, some appropriate to audience 	3-4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies positive and/or negative aspect of the service Limited communication skills demonstrated 	1-2

